

## Message Text

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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 0898

C O N F I D E N T I A L COLOMBO 1166

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E.O. 11652 GDS

TAGS: EAID, EFIN, CE

SUBJ: GSL REQUEST FOR SHORT-TERM LOAN

REF: STATE 085385

1. I PASSED ON TO GUNASEKERA APRIL 26 OUR  
REPLY TO GSL'S INFORMAL REQUEST FOR \$25 MILLION SHORT-TERM LOAN.  
AFTER NOTING REASONS WE UNABLE PROVIDE LOAN AND  
CONSIDERED IT INAPPROPRIATE TO INTERVENE WITH  
PRIVATE BANKS, I CONVEYED GENERALLY POSITIVE  
RESPONSE WE WERE PREPARED TO MAKE TO BANKS ON  
"IF ASKED" BASIS. (PARA 4(B) REFTEL).

2. GUNASEKERA EXPRESSED UNDERSTANDING RE OUR  
INABILITY PROVIDE LOAN AND ALSO PROBLEM WE FACED  
IN APPROACH TO PRIVATE BANKS. AT SAME TIME, HE  
SAID USG'S WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE "TESTIMONIAL"  
FOR SRI LANKA WAS VERY HELPFUL, NOTING THAT GSL  
TASK WOULD BE TO GET BANK TO MAKE INQUIRY IN  
WASHINGTON.

3. COMMENT: I REALIZE PROBLEMS DEPARTMENT FACED  
IN RESPONDING TO THESE REQUESTS AND APPRECIATE WELL-  
CONCEIVED LINE WE WERE ABLE TO TELL GSL WE PREPARED  
TO ADOPT IF BANKS MADE INQUIRIES OF US.  
VAN HOLLEN

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